

## TOWN OF PHILADELPHIA

NOVEMBER 7, 2013

REGULAR BOARD MTG. @ 5:30 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2014 PREMININARY TOWN BUDGET @ 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FIRE CONTRACT @ 6:30 P.M.

Present: Supervisor: Cheryl Horton, Hwy. Supt.: Mike Freeman, Clerk: Cheryl Reed, Assessor: John Kiechle, Guests: Mark Leeson, Shawn Barbarito, Susan Hoover, Elmer Hoover, Joni Hoover, Bridget Carpenter, Julie Genter, Cathy Watson, Matthew Hoover, Brenda Cook, Rick and Laurie Pickert.

At 5:30 Supervisor Horton called the Board Meeting to order, followed by prayer and pledge.

Minutes were read prior to the meeting. Sandra made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Ron seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

#### Financial Report:

General Vouchers # 342 to # 376 totaled \$ 36,643.65. Highway Vouchers #183 to 205 totaled \$ 118,210.71. Council Members reviewed the Monthly Financial Report and signed as their approval of said report.

#### Clerk Report:

1. Attended DEC Meeting in Cape Vincent on October 23, 2013. Very informative meeting regarding transition to a new DEC Sportsman Licensing Program. DEC will be taking back their equipment by the end of December. Clerk will need to purchase new computer to download new program to continue to sell Sportsman Licenses.
2. Will be disposing of Town Clerk Records that are past retention date.

#### Hwy. Supt. Report:

1. All paving and road shoulder work has been completed.

2. Plows have been readied for winter.
3. Road markers have been placed as cautionary measures for Plow Drivers.
4. Plan to hire a new Highway Employee next Spring.
5. Mike explained the need to transfer funds in the DA fund to the DB Fund.  
(Please see attached resolution)

#### Recycling Report:

1. Kimco brought a container to place tin in. Kimco will pay the Town the same per ton for tin as when the Town bales it.
2. Heating Tapes have been placed on water pipes for the Winter Season.
3. Bob stated that the Town's Chipper should be used at the recycling center for customers who need to dispose of tree limbs/branches. The chips could be given to those who would use them for borders around flowers, walks, etc.
4. Plans will be made for Primary School students to tour the Recycling Center and learn the need for recycling and the correct way to recycle.

#### Cartography Report:

1. The Cartograph Program for inventory of Town Infrastructure is in working order and complete.
2. Draft for the Cemetery Program has not been completed at this time.

#### Park Report:

1. Water has been drained and turned off for the winter.
2. Portable bathroom has been removed for the winter.
3. Trees have been fertilized.
4. Ron mentioned that he has noticed there are approximately six loose fence posts. Mike has agreed to call St. Lawrence Fencing to find out what can be done to remedy this situation before winter arrives.

#### Cemetery Report:

1. A foundation has been purchased by Greg and Laurie Delles.

#### Assessor Report:

1. Several inquiries regarding STAR Program.

Review of Town Supervisor's and Town Clerk's Financial Reports. **(Please see attached report)**

At 5:59 P.M. Supervisor Horton called for a recess. Sandra made a motion to recess, seconded by Bob. All in favor, meeting recessed.

At 6:00 P.M. Supervisor Horton called the Public Hearing on the 2014 Preliminary Budget to order.

Budget items discussed were:

1. Raises to Town Employees.
2. Effect of Property Tax Exemptions for Military and others.
3. Appropriations/Celebrations.
4. Tax payers have rights to information on Appropriations on the Town Budget.
5. The use of various Highway Dept. vehicles.

At 8:15 P.M. Bob made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Sky seconded the motion, hearing closed.

At this time 8:15 P.M., Supervisor Horton called the regular Board Meeting back into session and called for a motion to approve the 2014 Town Budget. **(Please see attached Resolution)**

Supervisor Horton spoke to Larry Robinson prior to the meeting regarding his fulfilling another term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Larry has agreed serve 10/1/2013 to 9/30/2018. **(Please see attached resolution).**

Sky made a motion to appoint Supervisor Horton as Town Representative to complete the Full State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Report required for the proposed amendments to Town Zoning Laws. Sandra seconded this motion. Supervisor Horton will work with Mike Bourcy from Jefferson County Planning. **(Please see attached resolution)**

At 8:20 P.M. Sandra called for an adjournment, this was seconded by Ron. All in favor, meeting adjourned. Supervisor Horton and the Board Members agreed to meet again November 12, (Tuesday) 2013 @ 2:30 P.M. to complete any unfinished business

Respectfully Submitted,

*Cheryl Reed ~ Town Clerk*